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INFORMATION REPORT

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<u>Vessel</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Activity</u>
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SS BERESINA¹
(Rumanian)

10 May 1953

Departed from Durres for Constanta with 1,020 tons chrome ore.

18 June 1953

Arrived Durres and unloaded 3,499 tons Portland 400-cement, 659 sacks "glatre"-type plaster, 7 motor buses, 770 cases tires, and 50 tons yellow corn. She is expected to load 1,510 tons chrome ore.

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<u>Vessel</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Activity</u>
SS CHIATURY ² (Soviet)	13 June 1953	At Durres unloading unspecified cargo.
	17 June 1953	Arrived Vlone from Durres where she loaded 410 tons of asphalt. She will complete her cargo of 1,200 tons mineral asphalt at Vlone.
	19 June 1953	Departed Vlone for Odessa.
SS DOBROUDJA (Bulgarian)	28 May 1953	Arrived Durres from Burgas; cargo believed to include 310 tons wheat. Loaded 270 tons refined asphalt, for Czechoslovakia.
SS IMANDRA ³ (Soviet)	— May 1953	Unloaded 2,998 tons of wheat in addition to a shipment of tractors at Durres and Vlone during the month.
SS KOLOBRZEG (Polish)	23 July 1953	Expected at Durres to load 3,820 tons chrome ore.
	3 August 1953	Expected to depart Durres.
SS LERMONTOV (Soviet)	14 June 1953	At Durres unloading 6,500 tons of cargo including wheat and automobile parts.
	23 June 1953	Departed Durres for Poti with unspecified cargo.
SS MARCHELEWSKI (Polish)	18 June 1953	Arrived Durres from Gdynia with 130 tons newsprint, 59 tons unspecified type paper, 100 bales of jute, horseshoe nails, carpenter nails, wood screws, iron wire, iron pipes, and one steel sterilizer.
SS NICOLA VAPTZAROV (Bulgarian)	11 June 1953	At Durres loaded 1,350 tons of petroleum asphalt, 242 tons (1,200 barrels) refined asphalt, and 1,000 tons chrome ore; entire cargo consigned to Czechoslovakia.

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MS TEUTA (Albanian)	2 June 1953	Arrived Durres with following items of cargo
		2 kg. cigarettes
		an automobile(1,455 kg.) for Hungarian Legation in Tirana; 1320kg. of food-stuffs

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<u>Vessel</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Activity</u>	
MS TEUTA (Albanian)	2 June 1953	a refrigerator (100 kg.) 610 kg. of foodstuffs 152,600 kg. of caustic soda for Albimport in Tirana; 120 kg. of razor blades; 80 kg. of machinery spare parts; 580 kg. shaving brushes; 99 kg. of medicinals for the Albanian Red Cross, 8010 kg. of DDT; a measuring instrument ("Manometro") of 25 kg.; 7190 kg. of coffee; 1093 kg. of casein. She is also unloading the following cargo	25X1
		200,100 kg. of palm oil; 2 cases (350 kg.) with unknown contents; and 36,660 kg. consisting of machinery spare parts, one O.M. marine engine, and rubber for vulcanizing.	25X1
SS TRANSYLVANIA (Rumanian)	27 June 1953	Arrived Durres from Constanta with passengers and cargo including the following items: 50 cases porcelain insulators 6,529 tons; 3 cases motor bus spare parts, 210 kg.; 86 crates of sheet aluminum, 28,654 tons; 27 cases medicinals, 2.4 tons; 6 cases of condensers, 1.3 tons; 10 cases containing assembly for telephone switchboard, 2 tons. 144 crates tires and accessories, 14.3 tons.	25X1
SS VOROSHILOV (Soviet)	19 June 1953	Arrived Durres with 4,000 tons wheat and mixed cargo. She will load 3,499 tons asphalt at Durres and Vlone.	
	27 June 1953	Departed Durres for Vlone. ⁴	
	30 June 1953	Expected to depart for Odessa.	

Comments:

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1. According to a more recent report the SS BERESINA unloaded 4,999 tons of wheat on 22 April instead of the Portland cement
2. During her 26 April call at Durres the SS CHIATURY is reported to have unloaded 3,101 tons of wheat.
3. Since the SS IMANDRA made four trips to Albania with unspecified cargo during May, this is only a part of the cargo carried.

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4. It was reported that during this time in Durres the Master of the SS VOROSHILOV had received complaints from his superiors regarding the slowness of unloading since it took him four days to unload 1,780 tons at an average daily rate of about 452 tons. In reply, he stated that unloading was being done from all four hatches, that electric hoists were being used, and that the rate could not be considered unsatisfactory in view of local conditions.

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